

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION**

EDNA FRANCHINI and VALERIE SEALS,  
*individually and on behalf of all others similarly  
situated,*

Plaintiffs,

v.

ACCU-TIME SYSTEMS, INC.,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:21-cv-05075

Hon. Steven C. Seeger

**JOINT STATUS REPORT ON THE STATUS OF SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS**

Pursuant to the Court’s Order dated January 27, 2025 [Dkt. 58], Plaintiffs Edna Franchini and Valerie Seals (“Plaintiffs”), together with Defendant Accu-Time Systems, Inc. (“ATS”), by and through their respective counsel, submit the following Joint Status Report:

The Parties continue to engage in settlement discussions. In furtherance of those discussions, the Parties have agreed to participate in a mediation with the Honorable Morton Denlow (Ret.) of JAMS. The Parties will request potential mediation dates from JAMS.

On January 23, 2025, Plaintiffs took the Rule 30(b)(6) deposition of ATS’s corporate representatives. Plaintiffs have prepared additional subpoenas for potential class data based upon information from the deposition, and the Parties are discussing additional supplemental discovery. Plaintiffs have received some, but not all data for potential class members from subpoena respondents and continue to confer with respondents regarding subpoena responses. Most subpoena respondents have requested extensions.

The Parties further request that the Court stay or continue the discovery deadline until after the pending mediation, to allow time for the Parties to fully explore whether this matter may be resolved by agreement.

The Parties propose filing a status report in two weeks to update the Court on the scheduled mediation date.

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